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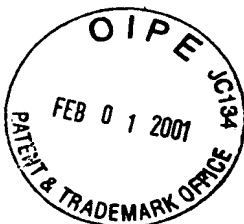
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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

The attached documents were cited by the European Patent Office in the International Search Report dated November 1, 2000 of the corresponding application. A copy of the International Search Report is also attached.

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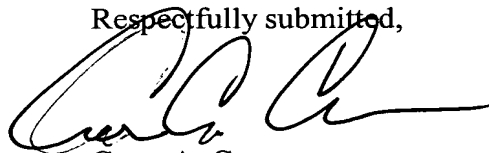
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